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Dear Mr. Cuch

I am in receipt of your July 26, 2006 letter. Again, as I have expressed in so many Letters to you and Utah Governor John Huntsman Jr., That I feel it is the Governor's own Personal responsibility to respond to his constituents living in our State of Utah who have Very Serious Problems.
The Governor should have enough compassion and courtesy to take some time and answer Their concerns directly, after all the elected Governor must represent the interest of all the People of Utah, no matter who they are, and this includes the Mixed Blood Uinta Band of Ute Indians.

It looks like to me that Governor Huntsman Jr. would want to work closely with the Terminated Mixed Blood Uintas of Utah to try and put an end to the suffering they have Endured for over fifty years. I cannot understand that if the Governor "empathizes" with Me and all the Mixed Blood People who suffered from the "Genocidal Termination Law" Called Public Law 671, an Act of Congress, why can't we hear something directly from Him?

You state on the Governors behalf: (quote) "IT IS IMPORTANT FOR YOU TO UNDERSTAND THAT IT IS "SIMPLY NOT ADVISABLE" FOR GOVERNOR HUNTSMAN JR. TO BECOME EMBROILED IN THIS CONTROVERSY. I BELIEVE THAT AN ENDORSEMENT FRO HIM OF YOUR GROUP WOULD SURELY "PROMPT A NEGATIVE REACTION FROM THE "UTE INDIAN TRIBE" AND PERHAPS OTHER TRIBES THAT

MAY ENJOIN THEM." "THIS RESPONSE WOULD ONLY CREATE MORE "HARM THAN GOOD" I URGE YOU TO DO WHAT YOU HAVE TO DO... "BUT WITHOUT AN ENDORSEMENT FROM THE GOVERNOR." (unquote)

I take your above statement to be an "Act of Discrimination" favoring the Ute Indian Tribe over the Terminated Mixed Bloods of Utah?

I want you to know that as I sat and read your letter, Forrest, I was totally blown away by What you stated as an "appointed official for the State of Utah." I was thinking to myself, here Is a "Full Blood Enrolled Ute Indian" born and raised in the Uinta Basin, who has relatives on The Terminated Mixed Blood Roll.
You witnessed the great and unnecessary pain and suffering of the "Terminated Mixed Blood Members" whom many of them ar as much "Indian" as you are, in felings and beliefs let alone The blood degree.
I resent that there you are sitting in an office in Salt Lake City, Utah, telling me, an innocent Victum of a Racist Genocidal Act of Congress called the "Ute Partition Act" to "Don't raise Any stink... Don't get the Governor involved... Don't get the Ute Indian Tribe "mad" Just Keep on suffering.. live with the injustices, and keep on letting others steal your identity, lands, Gas, oil and minerals."
I decided to carry on for my own victimized Blood Uintas to not let the "genocide" of the Terminated Mixed Blood keep being buried...as it has been for the last fifty years.
Both you and the Governor need to know that I will do everything Legal and Possible to rectify The injustices and wrongs that has been committed against me and my people.

You must remember Forrest that the Mixed Blood Members of the Ute Indian Tribe have Suffered Immense "Pain and we have been treated like second class citizens by a lot of people Including "The Ute Indian Tribe."
The Ute Indian Tribe Treats "The State of Utah Officials better than they do their own people, And many "Non-Members" who own the Mixed Bloods Ute Distribution Stockshares. The Ute Indian Tribe bought the Mixed Bloods Ute Distribution Stockshares (868 plus shares), and they Are benefiting from monies generated off oil, gas, and minerals that should be going to the "Original" Terminated owners of those stockshares.
This is why we filed the Felter lawsuit since Congress never intended "Non Indians" to benefit From the Ute Partiton Act.
The Ute Indian Tribe is depriving their "own" people of revenues that they know rightfully Belongs to the Mixed Bloods.
Then you ask me to be "Concerned for the Ute Tribe?" The Ute Tribe has enjoyed many Benefits all at the Misery of the Terminated Mixed Blood People.

If the Ute Tribe was truly concerned they would have jumped in Fifty plus years ago and Sided in with their people, the terminated mixed blood utes.
Instead, they sneaked back to Washington D.C. and got Congress to change the "Statutes" On the long range program.

The Ute Tribe has sat here all these years thinking and telling their people they are safe from "termination" when in fact, the "Full Blood Ute Indians" were to follow the Mixed Blood Utes Within a ten year period..
President Nixon done away with the Termination Policy which was a good thing, but you have To rember Forrest and you should know being in the position you are in, that the Congress of the United States Cannot "Create" and "Breathe Life" into a Law designed for a "Whole Tribe", then Make only a fourth of that Tribe live with that law! That fourth of the tribe is the Mixed blood Members of the Ute Indian Tribe.
Either Public Law 671..83rd Congress has to be done away with totally or this Law has to be "Completed as intended by Congress.." There is no other way or answer.

We have fought for everything we have, we have been treated like outsiders and still are. When we our people want to go the the annual Sundance they have been charged money before They would be allowed to participate in a spiritual ceremony by the Ute Tribe.
When members of our group have "passed on" we've had to beg to get permission from the Ute Tribe to have them buried in a cemetery that is suppose to be held "jointly" between the full Blood and mixed blood members.
Our members have been in the "Military" to defend you and the State of Utah, to protect People From "Genocide" and yet look at us and what you guys are doing to us.!
It was because of backward racist attitudes back in the 1950's and 1960's that got us terminated. This reminds me so much of what you are asking in your letter.
I thought you represented the "Indians of Utah??" It sounds like to me your siding in with the State of Utah, and to heck with the Indians.
We will begin writing to the Embassies of the Nations to let them know tha the Governor of the State of Utah does not care about the fact that the "cancer of Genocide" goes on living and Maiming his own citizens of the State of Utah. They will come to our assistance to help us Rid the State of Utah of a Federal Law tha benefits only the "Rich and Powerful" while me And my people stay "poor and powerless!!"

My answer bcck to you and Governor Huntsman Jr. is: "We will not stand to be treated Like the "Blacks of the South were treated in the 60's any longer." "We will not let you or The Governor of the State of Utah, or our Senators and Congressmen from Utah (who will not Support us) push us in a deep black hole and cover all the deep dark secrets up.
I want you to remember the "Olympics" that was held in Salt Lake City, Utah, and what your Response was when I asked if the "Terminated Mixed Bloods could participate in this "World Event." You "Refused" to let us participatae. I will make sure to bring this fact back so it will Haunt you as an "Official" whoe does not live up to the High Moral Standards that his Position Should call for.
We are here... we will never give up or give in.. and we will continue to Fight for what was "illegally" Taken away from us.
We will shame the Governor, The State of Utah, the U.S. Senators from Utah..The Congressmen from Utah, and The Ute Indian Tribe and we will "pull back" what is ours from the Non Members of the Ute Distribution Corporation, The State of Utah and Others who are underserving to gain benefits From the Racist Genocidal Law called the "Ute Partition Act."

I once again ask for Governor John Huntsman Jr to step forward and support the Mixed Blood Uintas in Repealing the Genocidal Law that has caused so much pain and suffering to so many of My people including myself.
You are our Governors "spokesperson" on Indian Affairs, so therefore we expect you to also support Us as you would any other American Indian Group in the State of Utah, or as you would the Ute Indian Tribe.
Getting rid of the last remaining Indian Extermination Law on the book should be the "goal of all Truly religious citizens of the State of Utah who hold themselves out as humanitarians who want To get rid of unjust laws here in the United States of America.

Your sworn job is to protect and look out for the "American Indians" of Utah. For this reason Iam asking that "you" support our "repeal of Public Law 671, of the 83rd Congress."
In case you think that because we are "terminated" that we are "no longer Indian" I want you to Remember what United States Federal Judge Bruce Jenkins Wrote in one of his decisions: quote

"IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT "TERMINATION" DOES NOT MEAN THAT SOMEONES "IDENTITY AS AN INDIAN IS ENDED." "IT IS A QUESTION OF "NON RECOGNITION" OR "RECOGNITION" AT LAW OR STATUS, "NOT" A "DENIAL OF ONES PERSONAL "HISTORY OR HERITAGE" **unquote**

Go on our Website at: www.undeclaredutes.net and look at the "American Indian Tribes" and Members that are supporting us.
Look at what they have to say about Termination. We have not listed all because it would take Up too much room since we are getting "Letters of Support" in every day.
We feel good that American Indians across the United States and Canada are willing and ready To stnd by our side to make sure the injustices we have endured is done away with and repealed.

It won't look too good on the State of Utah and the Utah Division of Indian Affairs when we Are getting support from groups, Tribes an individuals across the Nation on our behalf but our "own state" will not support us in our "Journey For Justice."
I certainly will do whatever needs to be done to get the Justice that me and my People deserve and Have been deprived of for way too long.
Both you and the Governor must understand the last feelings of our "Innocent Elder Terminated Mixed Bloods who looked out in their last living moments wondering why they went to the "Spirit World" stripped of their Uinta Identity by our own United States Congress."

In closing, Governor Huntsman must reconsider his position and support us if he has any Humanity for his own Terminated Citizens. Other Indigenous people in places like South Africa And the South Pacific need to know that there remains the most shameful chapter of United States history right here and right now. What will they think about our Governor? It would be Nice of both you and the Governor would come and support the "Repeal of Public Law 671, 83rd Congress"

I also heard on the News that Governor Huntsman would be calling for a "Summit" of Native American Indians in the State of Utah in August (next month) . I hope you both will Remeber to include the Terminated Mixed Blood Ute Indians of the Ute Indian Tribe in any Of the Summits, Conferences, etc.

Sincerely,

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